

Wallingford School Sixth Form News

Term 4, Week 2: 7th March, 2025

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6th Form



A message from 6F team:

We felt a real sense of pride as the 276 sixth-formers filed into assembly this morning, to the sound of the phenomenal Nina Simone. We won't have many more joint assemblies with these year groups and there is a feeling of purposefulness and proactivity in the air as the students take up opportunities and work towards the summer exams. The four students who led the assembly on International Women's Day did an amazing job in presenting us with the lives of inspirational women. Hopefully, we have all been encouraged to make waves over the weekend and, for year 12, to prepare to show our best in assessment week.

Events coming up:

Week Commencing 10th March

Monday 10th March: Year 12 Assessment Week

Wednesday 12th March: Y13 Biology Trip

Thursday 13th March: Year 13 Feedback Evening

PSE Friday 14th March

Y12: Prep for Husting/Uniforg research

Y13: Mock feedback & revision

Events coming up:

Thursday 20th March: Careersfest

Sunday 30th March – Friday 4th April 2025: Year 13

Lakes Revision Trip

Term 4 Break – Monday 7th April – Monday 21st April

Important information & News



We wish a Happy Birthday to Christopher and Tee.

We wish a Happy 18th Birthday to Jacob and Amelie.



Gonk

Sunny and Red brought crème eggs with them today to thank a couple of students for being amazing. Madison in Year 12 has been making the most of sixth form activities, showing real drive and ambition and Imogen in Year 13 was an absolute gem at Cornhole, throwing everything at it!



Enrichment Lectures – Mansfield College

There are some amazing public talks coming up this term from Oxford University, Mansfield College.

Take a look at their website: <https://www.mansfield.ox.ac.uk/mansfield-college-public-talks>

Dates	Lectures
Friday 14th March	Give it a Grow: Why gardening might just change your life Martha Swales is an urban gardener, social media influencer (1m+ followers) and TV producer, and a Mansfield alumna. Martha talks science, stories, gardening tips and how growing food – even in small and transient spaces – can connect us to nature and bring joy. Martha Swales

International Women's Day



A big thank you to Lily, Lucy, Sid and Charlotte for the interesting and informative assembly to celebrate International Women's Day, which is tomorrow. The women that they told us about were really phenomenal and I am going to watch 'Hidden Figures' again this weekend!

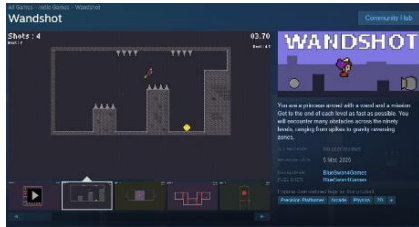


Lakes Revision Trip

Communications have been sent out earlier this week with information relating to travel times, packing list and study materials to take on the trip.

Students are reminded to book time off work and we will be finalising the rooming next Friday in PSHE. Students need to be getting into groups of 6 for the accommodation. Any questions, please ask Ms Mummery.

Alumni News



We were delighted to hear from ex Wallingford 6F student Violet who has just released their first computer game on Steam (a gaming platform for those not in the know). It's wonderful to hear from our alumni, and we hope that they serve as an inspiration to our current students.

Quick Round

Things have been so good in 6F even the school cat has been spotted inside the building, wanting to join in.

Alot of Y12 students made the most of the sunshine and their Wellness Wednesday period playing a variety of sports.

The Y13 Leavers Ball has been booked for **Monday 23rd June** at Hawkwell House, Iffley, Oxford – please save the date.

Cornhole Cup

The inaugural Wallingford School 6F Cornhole Cup will be starting soon.

This is a House competition, so you need a partner and £1 each to enter the tournament. Thank you to Wilfred for making our very own branded cornhole boards, and the Social Committee for running the tournament.



Current Affairs Kahoot This Week

Well done to the following for making the podium of this week's current affairs Kahoot quiz:

1 st Place – 8175	Sasha	13YH
2 nd Place – 8110	Leah	12VA/ECL
3 rd Place – 7847	Eddie	13LMU

Please see **Mrs Lutunatabua** for your prize!

Useful Opportunities

Choosing Oxford



www.ox.ac.uk/choosing-oxford

The University of Oxford's online Choosing Oxford student conference takes place from **17th to 20th March** and offers students an ideal opportunity to find out more about applying to Oxford, course information and the support available for students while studying there. Students can join any sessions that interest them.

Balliol College Chemistry Taster Day 2025

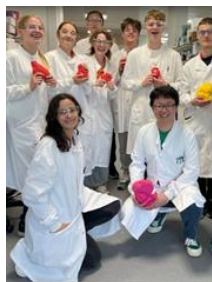
www.chem.ox.ac.uk/event/balliol-college-chemistry-taster-day-2025

Booking is open for an in-person Chemistry Taster Day run by the University of Oxford Balliol College on **19th March from 09:45 - 16:00**. This is for **Year 12 students** from state schools who are interested in studying Chemistry and applying to Oxford.

The day will include academic sessions, a practical workshop and a demonstration of an Oxford Chemistry interview. There will also be a tour of Balliol College with a chance to meet and ask questions of current undergraduate students.

Deadline to apply: **17:00 on 9th March**.

Biomedical Research Career Week



www.idrm.ox.ac.uk/engagement/schools-and-students

The University of Oxford is holding a careers week from **7th to 11th July** for **Year 12 students** to learn about day-to-day life in the lab, get some hands-on lab experience and discover different career paths in neuroscience, cardiovascular science, immunology, and cancer biology research. Deadline to apply: **12:00 on 28th March**.

Royal Holloway UoL Year 12 Summer University

www.royalholloway.ac.uk/studying-here/schools-and-colleges/widening-access/summer-university-year-12

Royal Holloway, University of London have opened applications for their Summer University 2025. Aimed at Year 12 students and running from **25th to 26th June**, students can explore a range of activities, attend subject insight sessions, meet current uni students, take part in social activities and stay on campus to get a taster of university life at Royal Holloway.

Closing date to apply: **midnight on 10th March**.

University of Surrey Year 12 Summer Schools

<https://pathwayctm.com/opportunity/residential-summer-schools-for-year-12-students>

Eligible Year 12 students can join the University of Surrey this summer from **30th June to 4th July (residential)** or **14th to 18th July (virtual)** to experience what it's like to study a subject they love at university level. They are offering places in the following subjects:

- Biosciences
- Business

- Engineering
- Law
- Physics with Maths & Space
- Psychology
- Veterinary Medicine

Closing date to apply: **30th March**.

Virtual Work Experience

Business and Finance

Barclays Life Skills - work experience with a digi

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Halliday Fraser Munro (Architecture and Design

Construction

Introduction to Carpentry

Introduction to the Electrical Trade

<https://getcareerconfident.co.uk/work-experience/virtual-workexperience>

Get Career Confident has brought together into one place a range of virtual work experience opportunities available to young people. They are arranged by sector with links to individual opportunities.

Aviation Careers – New Student Programme 2025

With new funding from the Department for Transport, we're delighted to offer FREE aviation careers events throughout 2025. These new events - dedicated to aviation - introduce students to industry professionals, challenge stereotypes, and open doors to careers they may never have considered.

Aviation careers go beyond flying – including engineering, marketing, scheduling and air traffic control. Our Inspiring Aviation activities help students:

- Meet industry experts and gain proper **world-of-work insights**.
- Discover **career 'ways in'**, including apprenticeships and university routes.
- Explore **diverse roles** and challenge **stereotypes**.

How it works for schools

We give you access a range of free career events and resources:

- **Live virtual aviation events** – interactive sessions with aviation professionals, with themes including: Beyond the Cockpit: Hidden Careers and The Future of Flight: Innovation & Sustainability
- **In-person events** – running throughout the year in selected areas. We'll contact schools and volunteers nearby to arrange these.
- **Career plan support** – use our database of 500+ aviation role models and 80,000 workplace volunteers in multiple sectors to enhance your careers plans.

Free teaching resources – including lesson tools and plans, plus how to get the best from your volunteers.

Next steps

Check out our upcoming [virtual aviation events](#) and sign up for as many live events as you like.

Use our [database of aviation professionals](#) to find role models for your own career plans and really inspire your students (sign in to your Inspiring the Future account with this link).

[Find out more about Inspiring Aviation here.](#)

Please also have a look at the Work Experience and the Careers board in Study for more information.

